SUBJECT No. 24.

Minor forest produce in private lands.

Mr. Malali Venkataramaiya, Manjarabad Taluk.

Mr. Malali Venkataramayya.—Exemption from obtaining *rahadari* may be given for the removal of minor forest produce in private lands.

Offg. First Member of Council.—The Conservator of Forests has sent certain proposals which have been referred to the Revenue Commissioner for consideration. Government will issue suitable orders on receipt of recommendations from the Revenue Commissioner.

REGISTRATION.

(No. 25).

SUBJECT No. 25.

Discontinuance of copying the documents in the books of the Registration Offices.

Messrs. Venkatasami Iya and Doraswami Iyengar, Chamrajnagar Taluk.

Summary of Representation.—Much inconvenience is caused to the public by the present rules under which documents are registered. Documents may be ordered to be presented in duplicate before the Registering Officers, one copy to be filed in the Registration Offices and the other returned to the party with necessary endorsement thereon. These may not be transcribed in the books of Registration Offices.

Withdrawn.

PROTECTION.

LEGISLATION.

(No. 26.)

SUBJECT No. 26.

Amendment of Section 103 of the Criminal Procedure Code.

Messrs. N. Nagappiah, Hole-Narsipur Taluk and K. N. Naranappa, Hole-Narsipur Municipality.

Mr. Nagappiah.—In almost all cases of search, police officers do not allow or take with them the occupants of the place searched or any one on their behalf and the list of properties taken possession of is never given to such persons. The excuse on the part of the police officers in such cases will invariably be that such persons, though permitted to attend during the search, did not choose to do so. As regards the non-delivery of the copy of the list of properties taken possession of, the excuse is that the party never asked for a copy of it. Thus, in the interests of the public welfare and safety, it is suggested that, in clauses 3 and 4 of Section 103 of the Criminal Procedure Code, the words "at his request" may be deleted.

Arrangements may also be made for copies of lists of such properties being given in all cases, whether asked for or not.

Offg. Second Member of Council.—It is only when people ask for the list that it will be given. Why not they ask for it? If the property is large, they will give the list. Why should the list be given when the property is insignificant? The Government of India propose to amend the Criminal Procedure Code and this section will be considered after the amendment bill is passed.